

## **2001 Annual Report Executive Summary**

### **Empowerment Alliance of SW Florida**

The Empowerment Alliance of Southwest Florida was designated as a Round II Rural Enterprise Community in January, 1999. Since that time we have leveraged approximately \$48 million dollars of other federal, state and private money. For every dollar of federal money received from the Enterprise Community designation we have been able to leverage \$100.

In 1998, Governor Jeb Bush and the State Legislature created the Florida Empowerment Program. This program provided matching state dollars in the amount of \$225,000 for Year 1 and Year 3 of the 10-year designation as a Round II Federal Enterprise Community. State of Florida 1. DCA (Florida Empowerment Zone Program) \$450,000 2. DCA (Urban Infill grant) 300,000 3. DCA (Emergency Assistance Funds) 3,260,000 4. DCA (SHIP) 1,179,326 5. DCA (CDBG) 2,446,000 6. EMPA 285,000 7. Florida Department of Transportation (Fastrac) 1,000,000 8. Florida Dept. of Transportation Aviation Office 1,000,000 9. Enterprise Florida 1,650,000 10. TRDA \$20,000 000 11. Florida Division of Library Information Services 125,000 12. DCA (Toolkit) 403,550 13. FRDAP 212,500 14. State Legislature 1,500,000 15. Game and Fish Commission 990,000 16. South Florida Water Management District 4,166,350 State of Florida Programs \$18,987,726 Number of funds (grants/loans) received from non rural development Federal 17. Department of Education 4,300,000 18. HUD (RHED) 180,500 19. Economic Development Administration 2,031,000 20. Department of Labor 225,000 21. US Army Corps of Engineers 8,191,350 Federal Programs (Non USDA) \$14,927,850 USDA Rural Development Funds 26. Federal Enterprise Community Funds \$ 500,000 27. Farmworker Housing at Farmworker Village 2,500,000 28. One Stop Center, Community Facilities loan 2,900,000 29. Immokalee Water & Sewer grant & loan 4,752,000 30. Rural Business Opportunities Grant 98,500 31. Community Facilities Emergency Grant 450,000 Total USDA \$11,200,500 Local 22. Local governments (Hendry & Collier) 2,951,516 23. Private Sector (Foundations, local donations) 256,465 24. Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta 602,143 25. Workforce Development Board 30,000 Local \$3,848,124 TOTAL \$48,326,200.

We have completed 70% of our 26 benchmarks for the first two years and are in the process of identifying through strategic planning our goals for the next two to five years. Strategic Plan for the Empowerment Alliance Enterprise Community identifies the following Goals, Objectives and Strategies for implementation. The Strategic Plan was developed in 1998 with broad community input. The Alliance and its Partners have accomplished the following strategies over the last two years.